**Ageing aircrafts of national airways**

1654. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether ageing aircrafts is one of the serious maladies the national airways arc suffering from;

(b) if so, the age of various aircrafts under operation with Indian Airlines (IA) and the Alliance Airlines (AA);

(c) whether it is a fact that Alliance Airlines has been burdened with most of the ageing aircrafts, shifting the burden of losses of IA to AA; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI CM. IBRAHIM): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The average age of aircraft under operation with Indian Airlines and Alliance Air is as under:—

| Type of aircraft | Average age |
|---|---|
| B-737 | 15.6 years |
| A-300 | 17.8 years |
| A-320 | 5.6 years |

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Docs not arise.

**वायु यातायात नियंत्रण टावॅर्स के अभ्यास संबंधी समिति**

1655. **श्री सतीश प्रधान :** क्या नागर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने वायु यातायात नियंत्रण टॉवर्स के अभ्यास हेतु कोई समिति गठित नहीं है,

(ख) क्या समिति ने इस संबंध में कार्य आरंभ कर दिया है;

(ग) क्या इस संबंध में कोई प्रतिवेदन प्राप्त हुआ है, और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

**नागर विमानन मंत्री तथा सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्री सी. एम. इब्राहीम) :** (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) से (घ) ये प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

**Selection of MCLR aircraft by Al**

1656. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Al has selected medium capcity long range aircraft (MCLR); if so, the details of the aircraft selected; and

(b) if not, the reasons for the delay and the time by when it will be selected;

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C. M. IBRAHIM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Medium Capacity Long Range aircraft project needs detailed examination and clearances at various levels. It is, therefore, not possible to specify the time frame by which the decision is likely to be taken.

**Losses incurred by Al/IA**

1657. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of loss incurred by Al/IA during the last two years and so far in the current year; the reasons for which the two airlines have incurred losses; and

(b) the details of the steps taken[7] proposed to be taken to cut the losses?